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Comments: We have been connected to the Gold Creek Valley for 35 years and another 40 years through an older generation of valley residents. We enthusiastically endorse the proposed plan for the Gold Creek restoration, including instream efforts for bank and habitat restoration. We support wildlife protection and the river returning /to a much more natural wetland area to replace Gold Creek Pond. We have witnessed damage to the forest ecosystem due to climate change. We know that the Gold Creek Valley is fragile. A concern we have is the intense pressure from the public to enjoy the Valley, and have access to the neighboring wilderness. We hope there will be sufficient funding to preserve this precious resource. We need comprehensive planning for managing the public and also creating educational opportunities for stewardship. We can do this together, and do it well.